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DES TO HOLD “ELDER FRAUD SCAM JAM”

(PHOENIX – January 9, 2003) – The Department of Economic Security Aging and Adult Administration and the Arizona Fraud Prevention Coalition have scheduled an Elder Fraud Scam Jam to be held at the Glendale Public Library, 4949 West Brown, in Glendale on January 29, 2003 starting at 9:30 a.m.

The Arizona Fraud Coalition consists of the Better Business Bureau, AARP, AHCCCS, Arizona Department of Insurance, Area Agency on Aging, Region One, Payments Resource One, and Premier Information Center. They will be presenting information to the public concerning the different types of fraud in the areas of Medicare, identity, securities and trust scams. There will be a panel discussion for attendees to ask questions.

The Senior Patrol Project uses senior volunteers who have been trained to help individuals spot and report suspicious or questionable activity on their Medicare and AHCCCS medical bills. The goals of the volunteer group is to reduce and prevent fraudulent practices and to report fraud by providers and suppliers.

The public is encouraged to attend to learn more about fraud prevention. Persons with a disability may request reasonable accommodations such as a sign language interpreter and persons requiring more information may call Ada Leach at 602-542-6439.